

The West Chester (Pa.) Republican records the death of an old man who has kept his coffin in his house for thirty years. Until within a few years he resided on a small farm three miles from West Chester.

The New York Tribune asserts that "the course of Gov. Stanly in North Carolina has excited great indignation among the officers and soldiers in the army"—while the New York Herald's statements would show the contrary.

Wendell Phillips appears to be censor general on war matters. Having abused President Lincoln to his heart's content, he now turns upon Gen. McClellan, and gives passing blows at other officers who are not of his way of thinking.

The Philadelphia Ledger says that able bodied seamen, both for the Naval and Merchant service, are in great demand at the North, and cannot be obtained in the numbers wanted.

It is understood that the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company are willing to co-operate in the construction of a branch from the Point of Reeks to Washington.

A patrol, under the direction of the civil authorities, to prevent the escape of runaway negroes, is proposed in Piscataway district, Prince George's county. Md.

The House Committee on Railroads, &c., have instructed their chairman to report a bill to aid the construction of the Pittsburg and Connellsville Railroad to the Baltimore and Ohio road at Cumberland, in accordance with a memorial of the members of the Ohio Legislature.

Railroad connections are proposed between Strasburg and Winchester—between the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad and the Alexandria, Loudoun and Hampshire Railroad at Leesburg, and other points; the government co-operating.

Gen. Sickles was received with great enthusiasm by his command. A letter from the headquarters of the Excelsior Brigade, May 24, tells the story—

"For several days past the General has been expected, and the sight of a white horse in the distance (the General has a favorite white stallion), was the signal for the outburst of cheers. Yesterday, about noon, the General made his appearance. The lucky individual who first espied him made it known with a 'There comes our General.' His words had not died away ere a thousand voices took up the refrain. The wildest hurrahs burst forth—cheer after cheer rent the air. The camp guard vainly essayed to keep the men inside the lines. They broke through every barrier, and met him on the road."

The Boston Traveller understands that a wholesale wooden ware firm in this city have received an order from one of their old customers in New Orleans for a large amount of goods, and have arranged the payments on satisfactory terms.

A machine for planing and joining the turret plates of the new Monitors has been made in Newark, New Jersey. It weighs thirty-four thousand pounds and is capable of removing one square inch of wrought iron at one cut, planing both edges of a plate six feet by twelve feet at the same time.

Gen. Houston is still in Texas, in retirement, it is believed.

Telegraphic News.

FROM THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

LATER FROM EUROPE.

ARRIVAL OF THE PERSIA.

NEW YORK, June 5.—The steamer Persia has arrived at this port with Liverpool dates to the 24th ult.

The anxiety in England for American intelligence daily increases.

In the House of Commons, recently, Mr. Mildmay asked what steps the government intended to take in the case of the steamer Bermuda, which was seized by a Federal ship-of-war on her passage from one colony to another.

Mr. Layard said that information of her capture had been received, and the case had been referred to the law officers of the crown, whose opinion was awaited.

The Times says "that the details of the capture of New Orleans places the surrender in a more creditable light for its defenders." It says "that a stubborn and protracted resistance is yet threatened by the South; but the progress of the North, though sometimes slow, has been hitherto sure, and if place after place be abandoned, there must come a time when it will be hardly worth defending."

The Globe says that England had washed her hands of the Mexican business, retaining only that hold of Vera Cruz customs essential to compel the discharge of debts to English subjects.

It is reported that the French government is resolved on the occupation of the city of Mexico under every contingency, and that next fall every strategic position of the country is to be seized.

FROM WASHINGTON.

[SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, June 5.—No other instructions to Mr. Stanley, Military Governor of North Carolina, than those contained in the letter of Secretary Stanton, of May 30, and laid before the Senate, yesterday, have been issued. The abolitionists are very much displeased with the course pursued by Mr. Stanley, in closing the schools for negroes and respecting the local laws of North Carolina.

Up to 2 o'clock not a word of war news has been received.

Freshet in the Rappahannock.

WASHINGTON, June 5.—A gentleman from Fredericksburg, just arrived in this city, states that the rains have caused a freshet in the Rappahannock river, and that the Railroad and an other bridge at Fredericksburg had been carried away.

Prices of provisions, beef, tea, coffee, &c., in Charleston, are said to be very high.

DIED.

On the 8th of April, in Loudoun county, Va., BARBARA ELLEN, the eldest daughter of Mark and Elizabeth Mankin, in her 25th year.

On the 3d of June, of scarlet fever, CATHARINE CLAY, the youngest daughter of Mark and Elizabeth Mankin, aged 9 years and 11 months.

A CARD.—R. H. MILLER, SON & CO. can be found daily at their store, No. 65 King street, where they will be happy to meet their friends from 9 to 12 A. M., for the settlement of all accounts due by or to them.
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LOCAL.—The weather continues cloudy, with occasional showers; the fields and gardens all show the effects:—the late heavy rains have caused a freshet in the streams emptying into the Potomac, and the upper river is high:—Thomas Mitchell, who was driving Atwell's ice cart, yesterday morning, was accidentally thrown from the cart, and badly hurt:—the Union Association, of this place, has appointed a committee to report the names of a persons coming into town from beyond the Federal lines, and such facts as may be known concerning them:—a house at the foot of Gibbon street, near the steam-mill, kept by disorderly persons, was cleared of its inmates a few days ago, and, in an hour thereafter, a number of boys entered the place, and cleared it of doors, windows, flooring and part of the roof:—at a meeting of the directors of the Washington and Alexandria Turnpike Company, held yesterday, Andrew Jamieson was elected President of the company:—strawberries and green peas are getting quite abundant, and are selling in market at 40 cents a peck for peas, and 6@12 cents a quart for strawberries:—a negro man named Gaddiss, while at work at Jamieson's bakery, this morning, had one of his arms dreadfully crushed by accidentally getting it under one of the iron rollers. It was at first thought the arm would have to be amputated, but hopes are now entertained that the limb can be saved:—the dead bodies of two men, supposed to be U. S. soldiers, were found a day or two ago on the shore of Hunting Creek, on the West Grove estate. They were not identified—but their remains were interred in the soldier's burial ground in this place:—so many boys are now out of regular employment at trades, or do not go to school, that there is quite a little army of newspaper venders, who make the streets ring with their cries; sometimes they are too noisy:—the recent rains have caused a strong current in the Potomac, and this morning a large quantity of drift wood passed down the river.

It is thought that the Senate will not take up the House resolution for adjourning on the 16th.

We shall have the grade of "Admiral" in the U. S. N., before long, and probably that of "Commodore," too, which at present is only a popular *sobriquet*. The bill making the necessary changes will pass both Houses of Congress.

It is thought by some that the late heavy rains may stop army operations in several quarters.

Barnum is distributing prizes among the exhibitors at his "baby show" in New York.—He is certainly the "prince of humbugs."

Col. Corcoran declines the appointment of harbor master of New York. When released, he is to go into the army again.

The New York Herald estimates the loss of U. S. troops in battle, since the present war began, at 5,791 killed and 20,369 wounded.

The rain storm, yesterday, in Baltimore, was the heaviest of the season.

The Charleston Mercury states that a "Beau-regard hat" is all the rage in that city.

Mr. Chas. Myers, a well known citizen of Baltimore, died in that city, on Wednesday.

Gen. Scott is to spend the summer at West Point.